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### **Command Operations Report**

This report is required by commands listed in SNDL Parts 1 & 2 and all operational Task Forces, Groups and Units temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. See instructions appendices for assistance in compiling and on submitting this form and any attachments.

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#### 1. Command Data (Boxes will expand as information is typed)

Name of your Command or Organization: Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron ONE

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: 09930

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: Sauve First: David M.I.: R Rank: CDR

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): 2012-02-27

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: Classified reconnaissance flights under operational control of CTF 47, 57, 67, 72.

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): NAS Whidbey Island, Washington

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: CTF 47, 57, 67, 72.

Administrative: Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing TEN

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): CTG-47.3, CTG-57.1, CTG-67.4, CTG-67.7, CTG-72.5, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM and Operation ODYSSEY DAWN.

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): CTG 47.3, CTG 57.1, CTG 67.4, CTG 67.7, and CTG 72.5

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: VQ-1

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156507 (EP-3E)	156511 (EP-3E)	156514 (EP-3E)	160291 (EP-3E)
156517 (EP-3E)	157318 (EP-3E)	156528 (EP-3E)	161410 (EP-3E)
160764 (EP-3E)	156529 (EP-3E)	157325 (EP-3E)	157326 (EP-3E)
158206 (P-3C)	158921 (P-3C)	159887 (EP-3E)	159893 (EP-3E)
156519 (FP-3F)		•	

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): N/A

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 136 Enlisted: 495 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LCDR (6)

Job Title/Office Code: Admin Officer/N1

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): (b) (6

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Command Mailing Address: VQ-1, Unit 25458, FPO AP 96601-6550 Physical Address: 3560 N. Charles Porter Ave., Oak Harbor, WA 98278

#### 2. Commander's Assessment

In 2012 the World Watchers of Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron ONE forwarddeployed 365 days conducting Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) flights ISO Combatant, Joint and Fleet Commanders while simultaneously conducting Inter-Deployment Readiness Cycle Training and Fleet Replacement Squadron training at NAS Whidbey Island Washington.

The 136 Officers and 495 Sailors of VQ-1 met 100% of operational requirements in CENTCOM, PACOM, EUCOM, AFRICOM, and SOUTHCOM AORs while simultaneously supporting multiple Fleet and Joint exercises in CONUS. During this period, VQ-1 flew 7,434 mission hours and 570 mission sorties as Commander, Task Groups 47.3, 57.1, 67.4, 67.7 and 72.5. Adding CONUS exercise/training hours, VQ-1 flew a total of 13,681 flight hours and reached the safety milestone of over 23 years and 146,844 hours of mishap-free flying. All of this was accomplished while transitioning from traditional two to three month Detachments to the six month deployment model.

The World Watchers maintained their forward presence in CENTCOM, continuously deploying three Combat Reconnaissance Crews (CRC) comprised of 17 personnel each, a maintenance detachment of 50 personnel and support staff of 10, along with two EP-3Es, flying over 1,372 hours of combat missions in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and CENTCOM strategic tasking. Responsibility of supporting this mission became solely VQ-1's after the disestablishment of Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron Two in April 2012. VQ-1's execution of these vital missions provided critical over-watch to Fleet Commanders, Strike Group Commanders afloat and ground forces in contact with enemy forces.

VQ-1 permanently opened a PACOM detachment site in April 2012 that saw over the next eight months two CRCs, maintenance and support personnel, as well as an EP-3E to maintain a constant presence in the Western Pacific. In addition, the World Watchers for the first time in years conducted a Philippines detachment and supported the joint exercise Valiant Shield 12 at Guam in September 2012. These efforts detailed the enduring presence of VQ-1 in the PACOM AOR.

With the disestablishment of VQ-2 in April 2012, VQ-1 inherited command of detachment sites in EUCOM, AFRICOM, and SOUTHCOM, with four CRCs, maintenance and support personnel, along with three EP-3Es. Traditionally not VQ-1 AORs, these detachments successfully supported AOR and Fleet Commander strategic tasking demonstrating continued operational flexibility and comprehensive tactical expertise of their aircrews and support personnel.

Focusing on the continual improvement of EP-3E Fleet Support and Joint capabilities, VQ-1 participated in multiple exercises including one Red Flag, three Virtual Flags, two Strike Integration, one FSTJ, Gypsy India, and Valiant Shield exercises. In February and March, VQ-1 supported Red Flag 12-3 with four CRCs, two maintenance detachments and three EP-3Es at Nellis Airforce Base, preparing aircrew and support personnel for major strike operations in a Joint environment against near peer simulated adversaries. Additionally, VQ-1 further demonstrated its Joint capabilities in three Virtual Flags conducted throughout the year.

Meanwhile, VQ-1 practiced further integration with Carrier Strike Groups (CSG) in two Strike Integration (INT) exercises with Carrier Air Wing THREE in both September and December of 2012, which increased EP-3E operational proficiency in conducting naval strikes against simulated targets afloat and ashore. VQ-1 also participated in a Fleet Synthetic Training-Joint, Gypsy India and Valiant Shield 12-1 to further enhance ISR coordination between CSGs and VQ-1's deployed aircrews. VQ-1 men and women remain dedicated to the full support and integration of the EP-3E into the Navy mission of maritime domain awareness and sea control.

Finally, in October when VQ-1 detached a CRC to SOUTHCOM to support AOR strategic tasking, VQ-1 deployed the first HOPLITE, ECP, GAS-1 and BURMA modified aircraft, which greatly enhanced aircraft IMINT and communications capability onboard legacy EP-3E.

### 3. Chronology

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3: CRC-4 Departed to Southern Command

#### **February**

- 17: CRC-3 Departed Africa Command for Central Command
- 18: CRC-2 Departed Central Command for Africa Command
- 22: CRC-8 Departed to Red Flag 12-3
  Nellis AFB, NV Detachment site opened
- 24: CRC-7 Departed to Red Flag 12-3 CRC-9 Departed to Red Flag 12-3 CRC-10 Departed to Red Flag 12-3
- 25: CRC-5 Departed Central Command for Southern Command
- 27: CDR Wissel Relieved of Command for VQ-1 CDR Sauve named Commanding Officer (CO) VQ-1
- 29: CRC-4 Departed Southern Command for Central Command

### March

- 2: CRC-6 Departed European Command for Central Command
- 3: CRC-1 Departed Central Command for European Command
- 7: CRC-11 Began participation in Virtual Flag 12-2
- 15: CRC-11 Finished participation in Virtual Flag 12-2
- 16: CRC-7 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Red Flag 12-3
  CRC-9 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Red Flag 12-3
  CRC-10 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Red Flag 12-3
- 18: CRC-8 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Red Flag 12-3 Nellis AFB, NV Detachment site closed

### April

- 1: Pacific Command Detachment site opened
- 4: CRC-5 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Southern Command Southern Command Detachment site closed
- 8: CRC-5 Departed to Pacific Command

#### May

- 2: CRC-8 Departed to Pacific Command
- 6: CRC-5 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Pacific Command
- 13: CRC-9 Departed to Africa Command
- 17: CRC-2 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from European Command

22: CRC-10 Departed to Central Command 20: CRC-3 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Central Command 25: 156514 Inducted at Paxtuent River for ECP mod 29: CRC-7 Departed to European Command **CRC-11 Departed to Central Command** June 4: CRC-6 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Central Command CRC-1 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from European Command 7: **CRC-12 Departed to Central Command** 8: CRC-4 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Central Command 156528 Inducted at Waco for Spiral 3 Upgrade/BURMA/Hoplite 20: CRC-5 Began participation in Virtual Flag 12-3 28: CRC-5 Finished participation in Virtual Flag 12-3 July 25: CRC-12 Deported from Central Command for Europe Command **CRC-7 Departed European Command for Central Command** 27: August 27: CRC-17 Departed for Gypsy India September 3: 156529 Inducted at Waco for Minotaur/ECP/BURMA mod 4: CRC-15 Departed for Strike Integration 7: CRC-17 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Gypsy India 12: CRC-14 Began participation in Virtual Flag 12-4 14: CRC-14 Finished participation in Virtual Flag 12-4 17: CRC-13 Departed for Valiant Shield 12 CRC-16 Departed for Valiant Shield 12 18: CRC-15 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Strike Integration 21: CRC-13 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Valiant Shield 12 CRC-16 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Valiant Shield 12 24: 156519 Stricken to War Reserve 25: CRC-17 Began participation in Fleet Synthetic Training-Joint 28: CRC-18 Finished participation in Fleet Synthetic Training-Joint 31: CRC-9 Departed Africa Command for Central Command CRC-10 Departed Central Command for Africa Command (Surge) Southern Command Detachment site opened

#### October

- 1: CRC-11 Departed Central Command for Southern Command CRC-12 Departed European Command for Africa Command European Command Detachment closed
- 23: 161410 Inducted at NAS Whidbey Island for ECP mod

#### November

5: CRC-15 Departed to Pacific Command

9: CRC-8 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Pacific Command

26: CRC-16 Departed to Africa Command CRC-17 Departed to Central Command

29: CRC-1 Departed to Africa Command (Surge)

30: CRC-9 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Central Command CRC-12 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Africa Command

#### December

3: CRC-13 Departed to Southern Command

CRC-14 Departed to Central Command

CRC-3 Departed to Strike Integration (INT) Carrier Air Wing THREE

CRC-4 Departed to Strike INT Carrier Air Wing THREE

7: CRC-11 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Southern Command

10: CRC-7 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Central Command

CRC-3 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Strike INT Carrier Air Wing THREE
 CRC-4 Returned to NAS Whidbey Island from Strike INT Carrier Air Wing THREE

28: CRC-2 Departed to Africa Command (Surge)

#### Narrative

- A) VQ-1 sent both aircrew and maintenance detachments to Africa Command, Central Command, European Command, Pacific Command, and Southern Command for operational flights under CTG 47.3, CTG 57.1, CTG 67.4, CTG 67.7, and CTG 72.5.
- B) The overall retention rate for VQ-1 in 2012 was 56.3% with a 1.0% overall attrition rate.
- C) During 2012, VQ-1 flew the following number of flight hours:

Total Flight Hours: 13,024.6

Total Flights: 2,319

- D) As of 31 December 2012 VQ-1 had reached the following number of mishap free flight hours: <
  - -146,844 hours since last Class A mishap (23 Jun 85)
  - -16,439 hours since last Mishap (Class C, 18 Jul 11)
- E) Throughout the calendar year, VQ-1 participated in the following Operations and Exercises:

Operation	Location	Dates
ENDURING FREEDOM ODYSSEY DAWN	CENTCOM AFRICOM	OCT02 to DEC12 MAR11 to DEC12
Surge	Location	Dates
AFRICOM Tasking	AFRICOM	SFP12 to DFC12

Exercise	Location	Dates
RED FLAG 12-3	Nellis AFB, NV	FEB-MAR12
VIRTUAL FLAG 12-2	NAS Whidbey	MAR12
VIRTUAL FLAG 12-3	NAS Whidbey	JUN12
GYPSY INDIA	Hawaii	AUG-SEP12
STRIKE INTEGRATION	NAS Fallon	SEP12
VIRTUAL FLAG 12-4	NAS Whidbey	SEP12
VALIANT SHIELD 12	PACOM	SEP12
FSTJ	NAS Whidbey	SEP12
STRIKE INTEGRATION (CVW-3)	NAS Fallon	DEC12
Testing	Location	Dates
Developmental Testing	PATUXENT RIVER, MD	JUN-SEP12 OCT-DEC12

# 4. Supporting Reports (Refer to specific guide for Ship/Shore/Aviation or Fleet Command)

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### 5. Published Documents

Commander Sauve Biography Commander Brosnan Biography CMDCM Richard Biography

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# COMMANDER DAVID R. SAUVE UNITED STATES NAVY

Commander David R. Sauve was born and raised in (b) (6) He is a 1990 graduate of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance. After graduation he worked for the Chicago Cubs and the City of Chicago City Council staff. He was commissioned via Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Florida in 1995, winged as a Naval Flight Officer at the 562 Flying Training Squadron at Randolph AFB Texas in 1996, and then attended the Joint Aviation Electronic Warfare School at Corry Station, Florida, before reporting to the Rangers of VQ-2 at Naval Station Rota, Spain, in January 1997.

As an NFO with the squadron, he flew in support of Operations JOINT FORGE, ALLIED WATCH, ALLIED FORCE and NORTHERN WATCH. He served as VQ LNO aboard USS Enterprise with COMCRUDESGRU Twelve. He held positions as the Bull Ensign, TEMADD Officer, Line Division Officer, NFO NATOPS and Assistant Operations Officer through July 2000.

In 2000, Commander Sauve was selected as an Olmsted Scholar with the Olmsted Scholar Class of 2001. He attended the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California where he studied Spanish and finished as a Distinguished Naval Graduate. From 2001 to 2003, he was attached to the US Military Group in Santiago, Chile while he attended the Pontificia Universidad Católica. He earned a master's degree in Political Science and Defense Studies, graduating with maximum distinction.

From December 2003 to September 2005, he served as the Current Air Operations Officer and ISR Officer with the staff of the Commander, United States Seventh Fleet, forward deployed aboard USS Blue Ridge and USS Coronado in Yokosuka, Japan. He also served as a Fleet Battle Watch Captain, serving in that position for multiple multilateral exercises and during humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations for the December 2004 tsunami in Indonesia.

In September 2005, he transferred to the Pro's Nest at VP-30 and qualified as an Instructor Navigator. He served as the Professional Development Officer and Assistant Maintenance Officer through January 2007.

In February 2007, Commander Sauve reported to VQ-2 at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Washington as a Department Head serving as the Tactics Officer, LNO to the Commander, CARSTRKGRU Ten aboard USS Harry S Truman, Detachment OIC in Curação, Netherlands Antilles, and Operations Officer.

At the completion of his Department Head Tour in 2008, Commander Sauve reported to the staff at HQ US Southern Command in Miami, Florida, serving as the Maritime Initiatives Officer and Executive Officer to the Director of J5 Strategy, Policy and Plans.

Commander Sauve has flown over 1500 hours and operational sorties on 6 land-based and afloat US and Allied aircraft. His personal decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (two awards), Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal (two awards) and the Navy Achievement Medal (three awards), as well as various campaign, squadron, and unit awards.



# COMMANDER TIMOTHY M. BROSNAN UNITED STATES NAVY

A native of (b) (6) Commander Timothy M. Brosnan graduated with distinction from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1995 with a Bachelor of Science in Systems Engineering. Upon receiving his commission, he attended the Georgia Institute of Technology where he graduated with a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering. Following graduate school, Commander Brosnan commenced flight training in Pensacola, Florida and was designated a Naval Aviator in September 1999.

In August 2000, Commander Brosnan reported to Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron TWO, Rota, Spain. During his time at

VQ-2 he flew in Operations JOINT FORGE, SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM. He held the positions of Aviation Safety Officer and Quality Assurance Officer.

In October 2003, he was assigned to Training Squadron FOUR (VT 4), Pensacola, Florida. During his tour he served as the Standardization Officer, NATOPS Evaluator, and Program Manager for the T-6A TEXAN II Trainer Aircraft.

In April 2006, Commander Brosnan reported to the "Wizards" of Special Projects Patrol Squadron TWO, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, for his department head tour. As a member of VPU-2 he held the positions of Administrative Officer and Operations Officer. He also served as Mission Commander and Officer in Charge for several forward deployed detachments conducting combat missions throughout the Southwest Asia Theater of Operations.

In May 2008, he checked on board the Joint Staff, Washington, D.C. and was assigned to the Directorate for Operational Plans and Joint Force Development, J7. During his time on the Joint Staff J7, he held the position of Chief of the Joint Doctrine Branch and served as U.S. Head of Delegation to NATO for doctrine and terminology conferences.

In April 2011, Commander Brosnan returned to the "Sandeman" of Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron TWO in Whidbey Island, Washington where he held the position of Executive Officer until disestablishment of the squadron in May 2012. He was reassigned to Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron ONE where he served as the Executive Officer.

In March 2013, Commander Brosnan assumed the duties as Commanding Officer, Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron ONE.

Commander Brosnan has amassed over 3,200 flight hours to include numerous combat hours in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM. His personal decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Commendation Medal, Air Medal (Strike/Flight, third award), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (third award), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (second award), and various campaign and unit awards.



# COMMAND MASTER CHIEF BAILEY B. RICHARD UNITED STATES NAVY

Master Chief Richard was born in (b) (6) grew up in Patterson, LA; graduated from Patterson High School in 1983; and attended Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, LA in 1984. He completed basic training at RTC Orlando, FL and graduated from AV "A" School at NATTC Millington, TN as an Aviation Electronics Technician (AT) in 1985.

Tours of duty included VXE-6 at Naval Base Ventura County (NBVC), Point Mugu, CA; AIMD at NAS North Island, CA; USS BELLEAU WOOD (LHA 3) at Sasebo, Japan; AIMD at NAS Barbers Point, HI; MALSEK at Kaneohe Bay, HI; and VAW-113, VX-30, VAW-116, and VAW-117 at NBVC Point Mugu, CA. Master Chief Richard reported to VQ-1 at NAS Whidbey Island, WA as the CMC in July 2010.

Master Chief Richard completed several squadron deployments to McMurdo Station, Antarctica and Christchurch, New Zealand in support of Operation DEEP FREEZE and numerous deployments, including during Operation UNITED SHIELD, on a forward deployed ship of the U.S. SEVENTH Fleet. Additionally, he completed several squadron deployments to the Western Pacific and North Arabian Sea during Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM with VAW-113 attached to CVW-14 embarked onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72); with VAW-116 attached to CVW-2 embarked onboard CVN 72; and with VAW-117 attached to CVW-11 embarked onboard USS NIMITZ (CVN 68).

Career highlights were qualifying for the Enlisted Aviation and Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist Designations; advancing to ATC in 1996, ATCS in 2001, and AVCM in 2008; and graduating from the U.S. Navy Senior Enlisted Academy (Class 112, Gold) in 2004 and CMC/COB Command Course (Class 75) in 2010. His awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (seven awards), Navy Good Conduct Medal (nine awards), and various campaign, service, and unit awards.

Master Chief Richard graduated with a BS in Technology from Excelsior College in 1998, an MS in Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU) in 2000, and an MBA in Aviation from ERAU in 2004. Master Chief Richard currently resides in Oak Harbor, WA with his wife and two teenage sons.